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YELLOWLEAF CHURCH,
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FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Oxford Baptist Association met this day in its Fifteenth Annual Session with the Yellowleaf church.

The introductory sermon was preached by Elder H. W. Rockett, the appointee. Recess.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

The letters from the churches were called for and read by Elder W. K. Bryant and Brother F. B. Woodruff, and the names of the delegates enrolled. (See table).

An election for officers for the next associational year was held, the above named brethren acting as tellers; resulting as follows, viz:

S. R. Lamb, Moderator; D. J. Burgess, Clerk; C. Crosby, Treasurer.

On motion, the deacons of Yellowleaf church, together with brethren H. B. Gowen, G. W. Anderson and E. G. Leigh, were appointed a committee on Devotional Exercises.

By motion of Elder R. G. Hewlett, the order of business governing this body at its last session, was again adopted.

A petitionary letter was received from Cold Springs church, upon which she was received into the Association.

Corresponding messengers being called for, Elders L. F.

Coleman and C. Lawshe were received from the Tallahatchie Association. (col). Elder W. J. Hargis was also received and invited to a seat on the floor, and recognized as an agent for the *Baptist Record*.

No reports from messengers to corresponding bodies were received.

Brethren E. G. Leigh, J. W. Higginbotham and H. H. Bunch, were appointed a committee on Finance.

The Executive Board was granted until to-morrow to make its report, The appointment of the Executive Board was deferred until after the present Board shall have made its report.

Elder R. G. Hewlett read the following report on church history, which was adopted and ordered to be printed in the minutes :

A—REPORT ON CHURCH HISTORY.

The Clear Creek Missionary Baptist church, situated in Lafayette county, Miss., was organized on Saturday before the third Sabbath in May 1842, by a presbytery consisting of Elders Joseph Lane, W. H. Holcombe, and Hosea Rochett. It was constituted with eight members, only one of whom is now a member. This number was increased to ten by the addition of Elder Joseph Lane and his wife, on the day of organization. Elder Lane served the church as pastor until December, 1856, when the Master called him away from the field of labor. Owing to the failure of Eld Lane's health, Elder W. Dupuy was called to preach to the church in November, 1855, and after Elder Lane's death he continued to serve the church as pastor until November, 1864, at which time your humble writer of these presents was chosen pastor, which position he has had the honor of occupying until the present September, 1884. Thus it is seen, that in its history of over 42 years, this church has had only three pastors: Elder Joseph Lane, pastor 14 years, 6 months; Elder W. Dupuy, pastor 9 years. The first year jointly with Elder Lane, and the present year is the 20th year of the pastorate of the writer.

There have been four ordained ministers members of this church, during its history, viz: Joseph Lane, J. F. Moore, T. R. Williams, and R. G. Hewlett, the latter two being ordained

by the authority of this church. Besides this, eight licentiates: Thos. Holcombe, T. J. Hunt, Wm. Hunt, W. A. Morrison, J. N. Holcombe, before the war; since, G. C. Pritchard S. P. Williams and J. L. Turnage. Brother W. A. Morrison deserves special mention as a young brother who gave promise of much usefulness. But he fell early in the great war and the bloody fields of Virginia.

The Clear Creek church was at first located seven miles west of Oxford, but in the year 1856⁷ built and moved to its present house. Total number of baptisms since its organization, 273; total membership, 356 approximated; present membership, 82.

Respectfully submitted,

R. G. HEWLETT, Chm'n.

The order of business was suspended and Elder H. W. Rockett was appointed to write the history of Yocona church and present it at the next meeting, and that church history hereafter be one of the subjects for standing committee.

The following report on State Missions was read by Elder W. K. Bryant, viz:

B—REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

The preaching of the gospel to all people is the work of the church, and God has ever blessed the efforts of the people in this work.

In our own State the destitution is great, even whole counties are without the gospel.

The State Mission Board has undertaken to supply the State with the Word. But, the evangelization of our State is not the work of a day. The fields are yet inviting.

Owing to Financial embarrassment, caused by ill health, of the retiring secretary, the Board has had to discontinue some of its work; though it met all of its obligations at the last State Convention.

The greatest hindrance to State Missions is such little interest manifest in the work with many pastors and churches.

A large number of pastors and churches do all they can while others do comparatively nothing. It is a lamentable fact that many churches are impoverishing themselves by not informing themselves on the work of giving the world the

The Clear Creek church belonged to the
 General Association from 1843 to 1865. Then to the
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gospel, and awaking to the great duty of giving of their means to give the perishing the bread of life.

With such a vast number of Baptists in our State, who, alone, can give the starving the true gospel; what a work they could perform if they could only be developed and united in the work.

Since this is true we should earnestly labor to get all these churches, after our own work is cared for, to co-operate with the Board. Can we, who are saved by grace, and are living under the influences of the gospel, refuse to send it to all people?

Respectfully submitted,

W. K. BRYANT.

Pending the adoption of the report, the subject was discussed by Elders R. G. Hewlett, W. K. Bryant, H. W. Rockett, W. J. Hargis and Brother G. W. Anderson; and the following pledges for State Missions, to be paid by the first of January, were taken, viz:

Antioch.....	\$ 5 00
Clear Creek.....	25 00
Courtland.....	5 00
Liberty Hill.....	5 00
Providence	5 00
Pilgrim's Rest, paid.....	2 00
Water Valley.....	25 00
Yocona.....	5 00
Bethany.....	15 00
Concord.....	10 00
Good Hope.....	10 00
Mt. Gilead.....	10 00
Pope Station.....	5 00
Springport.....	5 00
Yellowleaf.....	10 00
Cold Spring.....	2 00
	\$144 00

The report was then adopted.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock.

Prayer by Elder G. W. Hollowell.

The committee on Devotional Exercises announced that there would be preaching at 11 o'clock to-morrow by Elder W. I. Hargis.

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FRIDAY MORNING.—Sept. 12th.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator.
Prayer by Brother J. R. Bozeman.

+ The order of business was suspended and the 9th article of
the Rules of Decorum was stricken out.

A motion to amend, at the next meeting, the 2nd article of
the constitution was proposed as follows, viz:

Where the word "fifty" occurs in said article, strike it out
and insert the word "twenty-five." And where the word
"five" occurs strike it out and insert the word "eight."

The following report of the missionary, together with the
subjoined report of Elder W. K. Bryant, Executive Board,
was read by Brother H. B. Gowen.

C—REPORT OF EXECUTIVE BOARD.

HARRISON STATION, Miss. }
Sept. 10th, A. D. 1884. }

TO THE OXFORD ASSOCIATION:—GREETING:

Dear brethren:—We, the Executive Board of the Oxford
Association, at a meeting in July, employed Brother W. K.
Bryant to preach as a missionary in our bounds for two months,
for which we agreed to pay him one hundred dollars.

We sought, but failed to procure, the services of a minister
at an earlier date, and feel very sad for having accomplished
so little for the Lord, but must say that, under the circum-
stances, it was the best we could do.

Now brethren, we earnestly request the Association at its
meeting, to raise the one hundred dollars and pay the same
to Brother Bryant, as the time for which he was employed ex-
pires with the meeting of this body.

Respectfully submitted,

H. E. DRAPER, Chairman,
E. D. ROWE, Secretary.

REPORT OF MISSIONARY.

I have labored two months under the appointment of the
Board:

Number of miles traveled.....	528
Sermons preached.....	56
Families visited.....	56
Public prayers.....	72

Lectures and prayer-meeting talks.....	35
Supscribers for <i>Baptist Record</i>	5
Baptized.....	4
Church constituted.....	1

Respectfully submitted,

W. K. BRYANT.

Pending the adoption of which, our associational mission work was fully discussed by Elders W. K. Bryant, H. W. Rockett, R. G. Hewlett, and Brethren G. W. Anderson and H. B. Gowen, after which the report was adopted.

The following Executive Board was appointed, viz :

Antioch.—E. J. Hudson.

Bethany.—G. W. Anderson.

Clear Creek.—D. J. Burgess.

Cold Springs.—W. A. Simmons.

Courtland.—E. G. Leigh.

Good Hope.—S. R. Lamb, E. M. Thornton, J. D. Woodruff, S. P. Woodruff, D. E. Hollman, G. W. Smith.

Liberty Hill.—K. E. Todd.

Mt. Gilead.—E. W. Barton.

Providence.—G. W. Wright.

Pope Station.—F. B. Woodruff.

Pilgrim's Rest.—L. C. Pollard.

Springport.—J. W. Hobbs.

Water Valley.—C. Crosby.

Yellowleaf.—John Butler.

Yocona.—J. K. T. Lowe.

The following resolution, in connection with the appointment of the Board, was adopted :

D.—RESOLUTION.

Resolved : That we recommend to the Executive Board both the propriety and the duty of getting a competent man to come and locate among us to preach to our weaker churches and to give a part of his time to the mission work of the Association.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. ROCKETT.

On motion, Dr. J. L. Johnston was invited to a seat on the floor.

The following report on Sunday-schools was read by Bro. J. D. Woodruff :

E—REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

We, your committee on Sunday-schools, beg leave to offer the following report :

It has been said that the Jesuits say "Give us a child till he is seven years old and then, do what you will with him, he will ever afterwards belong to us." If error can be so firmly impressed upon the mind of the young, it is also certain that truth, thus early impressed, will be equally as lasting. It is said that the mind is of a plastic nature, it is continually receiving impressions. No more will the mind of the young cease to receive impressions than the body of the young cease to grow.

If this proposition be true, then of what vast importance it is that we, who are older, see to it that the young who are committed to our care, shall be properly instructed. It occurs to the minds of your committee that we, as Baptist, are especially responsible for the proper training of the young. If what we believe be true, error as regard the teaching of the Bible, is abroad in the land. While we do not believe that Sunday-schools can take the place of the Word as preached from the pulpit, even with the children, we believe that it is one of the best auxiliaries the pulpit has. In many respects, the Sabbath-school does work that the ministry cannot do. The earnest, zealous Sabbath-school teacher can be with the children more, and on account of his circumstances can instruct those who can not be reached by the ministers. We are glad to be able to report that the Sunday-school cause has made wonderful progress in the last few years. On account of the want of the statistics we cannot give the products of the great Sunday-school work in our country. We would urge upon the churches of this Association and of the individual members, to encourage in a proper way the Sunday-school cause.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. WOODRUFF.

The hour for preaching having arrived, business was suspended and Elder W. J. Hargis took the stand and preached, after which adjourned until 2 o'clock.

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EVENING SESSION.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

Prayer by Brother F. B. Woodruff.

The report on Sabbath-schools was called up and re-read and the discussion of the subject entered into by Elders W. K. Bryant, R. G. Hewlett, and the report was again read and further discussed by Elders J. L. Johnston, H. W. Rockett and Brethren G. W. Anderson and the following resolution was offered to the report, viz :

Resolved : That we press upon all our churches the necessity of organizing Sunday-schools and working in them, and that they report their work to the Association.—H. W. ROCKETT.

The report was then adopted.

The following report on Publications was read by Brother J. R. Bozeman :

F—REPORT ON PUBLICATIONS.

We, your committee on Publications, report that it is not expected that this brief report will deal with all religious literature. Publication means things published, and in the great amount of books, papers, periodicals now in circulation, there is a vast amount of fiction and unholy reading. The press is a powerful instrument and we should avail ourselves of its power to make known our doctrine and advance the cause of the Bible. It is our duty to advance and uphold a literature wholly distinctive of our views ; yet we deem it profitable to read religious books and papers of other denominations. First of all, we recommend the Bible, feeling and knowing that it contains more gospel, more science, more history, and more law than all publications.

As an organ of our State, the *Baptist Record* is indispensable, and its general circulation is essential to the success of Baptist in our State, and no Baptist family ought to be without it. The Baptist Book House at Memphis is headquarters for any amount of the very best religious literature, and we recommend that Baptist patronize, and buy largely of its good books.

To educate our churches in the Foreign Mission work, we recommend the *Foreign Mission Journal* at Richmond, and

we think missionary intelligence needful, as we are commanded to send the gospel to all nations. Then, Brother Hall's *Little Missionary* gives much information in regard to the mission work. For our Sunday-schools we recommend *Kind Words* and other papers of the Home Mission Board, published at Macon, Ga.

Respectfully submitted,
JEFF R. BOZEMAN,
S. P. WOODRUFF,
Committee.

On motion to adopt the following resolution was offered as an amendment to the report, viz :

Resolved, That to those who may desire information on the Temperance movement in this State, we would recommend the *Argus*, published by Brother Hurt, at Winona, Miss.—R. G. HEWLETT.

The subject of Publication was discussed by Brother J. R. Bozeman, Elders W. I. Hargis, and W. K. Bryant, after which the report was adopted.

The following report on Temperance was read by Brother J. W. Higginbotham :

G—REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your committee to whom was assigned the almost Herculean task of writing a report on Temperance, would suggest the re-adoption of Brother Hewlett's report of last year, but for the fact that more light is being thrown on the subject every year, and facts, figures and experience all combine to prove intemperance not only the "matchless evil," but the question of the day, and hence the necessity of discussing and constantly agitating the subject of temperance from the pulpit, the fireside, in our religious meetings, Associations, Conventions, etc.

Your committee thinks that writing reports, theorizing and moralizing on temperance, are good things; but would urge that action, immediate, manly, Christian, scriptural action, be taken in regard to this matter. The question may arise how shall we act? The answer is plain enough. Let every word you speak, every act you perform, every precept you give, every example you set, be in direct opposition to that greatest curse of Hell, called intemperance, and in favor of its opposite, called temperance.

Your committee thinks that if all christians could be made to see the destructive work of the fell destroyer, Intemperance, and realize the responsibility resting upon each one, to try by all lawful means, to arrest the progress of this demon-monster which threatens, with one broad swoop, to almost decimate earth and people hell; that writing a report on temperance would, in a few years, instead of being a painful duty, become a pleasant task.

We agree that intemperance is wrong, for the Bible says: "be temperate in all things." But we sincerely believe that that part of it resulting from the use of intoxicating liquors is as far above all others as Mt. St. Elias is above an ant hill. Therefore, with it we prepose to deal more directly. And now, to show to what extent this evil has gone and how it is robbing the church and the world, and otherwise causing degradation and ruin, we propose to submit some facts and figures :

It is stated, and we deem the statement approximately correct, that in the Anglo-Saxon world, 100,000,000 bushels of grain are annually destroyed in making intoxicating liquors; while thousands of people are on the verge of starvation, and living in abject poverty.

The above amount of grain would give two barrels of flour to every family in England, the United States and Canada during the year. It is said that the liquor traffic of Great Britain costs as much as would support 600,000 missionaries at \$1200 a year; 500,000 school masters at \$500; build 5000 churches at \$15,000; 5000 school-houses at \$4,000; would give to the world 200,000,000 Bibles at 25 cents each; and 500,000,000 tracts at \$1.00 per hundred; would give 100,000 widows \$100 a year; and 200,000 poor families \$20 a year. Nor has this Hellish demon failed to visit and strongly entrench himself in our own fair land. In the United States are 175,000 places where intoxicating liquors are sold, involving a direct outlay of \$700,000,000, and an indirect loss to the country by crime, pauperism, etc., of \$700,000,000 more, and this results in the destruction of 100,000 lives yearly.

It has been declared on authority, of an official census, that the liquor traffic for the last ten years has sent 100,000 children to the poor houses in the United States; has committed at least 150,000 to prisons and to work-houses; has made at least 10,000 insane; has determined at least 2000 suicides; has caused the loss by fire and by violence of \$10,000,000

worth of property ; and has made 200,000 widows and 1,000,000 orphans.

While the Clergymen of the United States cost \$12,000,000 yearly ; the loss to the nation directly and indirectly through liquor, is something like \$1,400,000,000.

Brethren, we close this report by reiterating the solemn interrogatory propounded by your last committee on this subject : "In view of these horrid facts, what shall we do, what can we do, what will we do?" By giving a brief answer to each, first, trust in the Lord and keep battling against the enemy, secondly, unitedly we can, by God's help, accomplish a great deal, and lastly, we will, your committee hopes by Divine aid, do a grander and nobler work in the cause of temperance than we have ever done.

Respectfully submitted.

J. W. HIGGINBOTHAM.

Pending the adoption of the above report, the subject of temperance and prohibition was discussed by Elders W. I. Hargis, H. W. Rockett.

The time for adjournment having arrived, the Association adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

The committee on Devotional Exercises announced that Elder R. G. Hewlett would preach at 11 o'clock to-morrow.

SATURDAY MORNING—SEPT. 13TH.

The Association called to order by the Moderator.

After devotional exercises the report on Temperance was again called ; reports further discussion, entered into by Eld. W. K. Bryant, Brethren J. W. Higginbotham, H. B. Gowen, C. Crosby, J. R. Bozeman, R. K. Webb and R. G. Hewlett ; after which, the report was adopted.

The following report on General Education was read by Brother F. B. Woodruff :

H—REPORT ON EDUCATION.

We, your committee on Education, beg leave to offer the following :

While we, as a denomination, have our College at Clinton, of which we may justly be proud, and which is doing a great good, and, notwithstanding the University of the State, equip-

ed with a full corps of professors than whom there are none more worthy of having the care of instructing the young in their charge, yet it is a lamentable, self-evident fact, that our children, the children of the men who compose this body, are growing up without an education. This, we cannot believe is, because our people do not want to educate their offspring, but arises from a combination of circumstances; some of which we propose to notice and to call your attention to a plan which, we believe, will remedy the evils and materially advance the cause of education within our bounds.

First, we would say that many of the evils are attributable to our present system of free school. After several years of fair trial, we have the proof all around us, that the free-schools have failed to educate in the proper sense of the term. Further, we would mention the financial inability or almost every community to sustain a school long enough to be of any practical good. True, in every community, there are some who could send to school all year; but, there are not enough who are able, in any community, to support a first class teacher, and consequently those who are able are deprived of educational advantages, or must pay for it at double what it ought to cost. Again, owing to the fact that we do not pay directly for the teaching of our children, no one feels that he is responsible for the character and ability of the teacher, and consequently, the majority of our teachers are incompetent.

Many of our teachers are young, inexperienced men and women who know nothing about the training of the mind and are only teaching till they can get into something better. So we find that a majority of the boys and girls who cannot and will not attend College, are not only not being prepared to meet the practical duties of life, but are wasting the best part of their lives.

We believe that all these evils can be remedied by this Association if it will establish a good school of its own on a plain business plan.

In order to advance the cause of education in our midst, we would recommend that a committee of five be appointed to suggest a plan for establishing a good school within our

bounds under the jurisdiction of this Association, and present said plan at our next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

S. R. LAMB, Chairman.

F. B. WOODRUFF.

On a motion, to adopt the subject of Education was discussed by Brother F. B. Woodruff, Elders W. K. Bryant, H. W. Rockett, and R. G. Hewlett..

Adjourned for preaching, by Elder R. G. Hewlett.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

Prayer by Brother G. W. Anderson.

The report on General Education was adopted and the following committee appointed as contemplated in the report, viz :

Elders R. G. Hewlett, H. W. Rockett, F. B. Woodruff, E. G. Leigh, J. W. Higganbotham.

The order of business was suspended and the Finance Committee made the following report, viz :

REPORT ON FINANCE.

DR.

Rec'd for Minutes	\$ 30 00
" " Foreign Missions.....	24 50
" " Ministerial Education	10 25
" " State Missions.....	2 00
" " Associational Missions.....	70 75
Total.....	\$ 137 50

The Treasurer made the following report :

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Rec'd from Finance Committee for minutes.....	\$31 65
" " " " Foreign Missions.....	28 00
" " " " State Missions.....	18 70
" " " " Ministerial Education...	10 95
Total.....	\$89 30

Paid D. J. Burgess for minutes.....	\$31 65
" Foreign Mission Board.....	28 00
" State Mission Board.....	18 70
" Z. T. Leavell for Ministerial Education.....	10 95
Total.....	\$89 30

Moved that the funds in the hands of the Treasurer be disbursed according to their several objects.

The report on Foreign Missions was read by Elder W. K. Bryant.

I—REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Foreign Mission work of Southern Baptists is progressing encouragingly, and increasing in extent. From all the fields, cheering reports are coming up, and more laborers are asked for. The work, under the care of Brother W. D. Powell in Mexico, our nearest field, is flattering. Lately, in that country, a revolution is coming about, the people are turning from priest-craft and seeking light through Baptist teaching. There, we have recently come in possession of very valuable school property, at very little expense; which gives a great opportunity for taking hold on the hearts and lives of the people. We have three missions in Brazil under the care of Brethren W. B. Bagby and E. C. Taylor. While they meet with many difficulties in this Catholic country, they are full of zeal and hope in their work. Many are finding the way of life, even some among the priests are seeking light. Another laborer is needed to work at the Capital, where a door is opened.

Brother W. J. David, who is now on a visit to this country, is greatly encouraged in his work in Africa. A great revival has lately broken out at Lagos, which added great strength and influence to the Baptist cause. Too new missionaries have recently been appointed to this field. We have several mission stations in Italy, the most important of which is at Rome, where the gospel is preached under the very shadow

of the Vatican. The work here is in charge of Brethren G. B. Taylor and J. H. Eager. We have a number of missions in China, controlled by Brethren T. P. Crawford, M. T. Yates, R. H. Graves and E. Z. Simmons. A hindrance to the work here is apprehended, on account of the Franco-Chinese war, now breaking out.

The work among the Chinese is very important, because they are the most numerous, cultivated, energetic and influential of the Asiatic races. There are many other mission stations, though not supported by us, in India, Japan, Sweden and Russia; where the work is progressing. Other fields are opening and other men are offering to go into these fields and devote their lives to the Lord's cause; but we lack the means to send them. May the Lord put it into the hearts of his people to send them.

Respectfully submitted.

H. W. ROCKETT,

On a motion to adopt, the subject of Foreign Missions was discussed. Elder W. K. Bryant and Prof. A. J. Quinche were invited to speak on the subject.

Elder R. G. Hewlett then took up the following pledges, to be paid by next Associational meeting:

PLEDGES FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Antioch.....	5 00
Bethany.....	20 00
Clear Creek.....	25 00
Concord.....	5 00
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Providence.....	7 50
Pope Station.....	5 00
Pilgrims Rest.....	5 00
Springport.....	5 00
Water Valley.....	10 00
Yellowleaf.....	5 00
Yocona.....	5 00
Cold Springs.....	5 00
Total.....	\$137 50

BLANK CHURCH LETTER.

The Baptist Church of Christ at.....

To the..... Association:

Sendeth Christian Salutation:

DEAR BRETHREN:—

We have chosen the following brethren to represent us
in your body, to-wit—

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Should any of the above named brethren fail to attend
your meeting, we authorize you to receive, as a delegate, any
other brother from our church, who may be present at your
meeting.

(Then give revival news, or whatever may be of interest
to the Association.)

STATISTICS.

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Our Financial report for this year (in this report insert
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STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches.	Post Office.	Counties.	Names of Delegates.	Pastors.	Days of Meeting	Baptized	Rec'd by Letter	Restored	Dis. Letter	Excluded	Dead	Mem- bership	Total	Paid Pastors	Incidental	For Missions	State Missions	Sunday School	Min. Education	Minutes	Total
Antioch	Courtland	Panola	T. A. Tubs	H. J. Legge	3d	3	3	3	3	1	3	35	9 75	3 00			5 00			1 25	19 00
Bethany	Harrison Station	Tallahatchie	H. B. Gowen, W. G. Anderson	H. W. Rockett	1st	11	4	4	4	1	1	94	175 00	45 39	12 00		16 75		29 15	2 50	269 70
Clear Creek	Welcometon	Lafayette	R. G. Hewlett, D. J. Burgess, H. H. Bunch	R. G. Hewlett	2d, 4th	9	9	9	9	1	1	82	123 00	19 00	50 00		35 00		10 00	2 50	239 50
Cold Springs	Central Academy	Panola	Jasper Cathey			4	5													50	50
Concord	Taylor's Depot	Lafayette	J. W. Higginbotham, T. J. Decard, J. M. Gooche	R. G. Hewlett	1st Sab	24	5	1				73								2 00	2 00
Courtland	Courtland	Panola	E. G. Leigh, E. T. Leigh	W. C. Lattimore	3d	3	4	2				26	170 00		10 00			5 00		1 50	186 50
Good Hope	Batesville	Panola	S. R. Lamb, J. D. Woodruff, E. M. Thornton	W. M. Farmer	1st	13	4	1	2			104	138 40	3 75	15 35		5 35			2 00	164 85
Liberty Hill	Courtland	Panola	Thos. Tiler	W. M. Farmer	2d	6	6	8	15	6		70	25 00				10 30			2 00	37 30
Mt. Gilead	Water Valley	Yalobusha	S. Hale, E. R. Avent, E. W. Barton	H. W. Rockett	4th	9	1	1		1		65	100 00	1 00		15 00				2 75	118 75
Providence	Banner	Calhoun	W. K. Bryant, R. K. Webb, M. B. Bachman	R. K. Webb	2d	9	3	1	5	1		84								1 50	1 50
Pope Station	Pope Station	Panola	E. P. Collins, J. R. Bezman, F. B. Woodruff	W. C. Lattimore	3d	6	7					49						3 59		2 00	5 50
Pilgrims Rest	Reynolds	Panola	E. J. Johnson, L. C. Pollard, W. M. Vandenburg	M. G. Leatherwood		2	3	2	3			39					1 09			1 50	2 50
Sprinhport	Wallace	Panola	G. W. Hollowell, J. W. Hobbs, W. J. Johnson	R. G. Hewlett	3d							39								1 50	1 50
Water Valley	Water Valley	Yalobusha	H. W. Rockett, C. Crosby	H. W. Rockett	2d, 4th	6	4	3		1		130		20 00	10 00	35 35	15 00	15 00	3 00	98 35	
Yellowleaf	Oxford	Lafayette	Jessie Humphries, Green Knight, Allen Humphries	C. E. Murphy	4th	8	3	2		1		56				10 00			2 00	2 00	14 00
Yocona	Taylor's Depot	Lafayette	Represented by letter	H. W. Rocket	3d	1	2					24		625 00		5 00				1 50	631 50
Total						95	53	9	69	29	10	952	741 15	715 05	107 35	128 75	15 00	25 65	30 00		179 295

